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REPLY UNDER 37 CFR 1.116-EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
TECHNOLOGY CENTER 1733

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
PATENT EXAMINING OPERATION

Applicant: § Group Art Unit: 1733
Richard Blackmore et al. §
Serial No. 09/588,407 § Examiner: Steven P. Maki
Filed: June 6, 2000 § Atty. Dkt. No.: 240-P-028
Confirmation No. 9445 §

For: Inflatable Heating Device

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Alexandria, Virginia

SIR:

This paper is presented as a proposed amendment in accordance with 37 CFR §1.116 and MPEP §714.12. Admission is urged for the reasons that the proposed amendment (i) adopts changes to the specification intended to overcome objections properly noted by the Examiner and (ii) places the claims in better form for appeal.

The detail and thoroughness of the Examiner's comments contained in the Final Rejection are noted. Consideration of the proposed amendment is requested.

DO NOT ENTER Jan 26-05